

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 1, under the heading "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" as follows:

a1 This application is related to Application Serial Number ~~xx/yyyyyy~~ (Attorney Docket # 279.234US1) 09/706,447, filed on even date herewith, entitled FLAT CAPACITOR FOR AN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 23, as follows:

a2 In one embodiment, connection members 201 are edge-welded to each other as discussed in co-pending U.S. patent application ~~XX/YYYYY~~, filed ~~xx/yy/zzzz~~ (attorney docket number 279.168) 09/706,518, filed on November 3, 2000, which is entitled FLAT CAPACITOR HAVING MICRO-STAKED AND EDGE-WELDED CONNECTION MEMBERS, and which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. Edge-welding the connection members provides a flat connection surface 216, which includes one or more edge faces 215 of connection members 201. In some embodiments, connection members 201 are crimped, soldered, and/or connected by an electrically conductive adhesive.